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The Federal Diary

**Ike's Job-Cutting
Directive Ignored,
Rep. Davis Charges**

By Jerry Kluttz

FEDERAL AGENCIES were accused by Rep. James C. Davis (D-Ga.), yesterday of ignoring a 4-month-old directive by the President to abolish unnecessary jobs when they are vacated.



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Davis, Chairman of the House Manpower Utilization Subcommittee, said only one agency, the Veterans Administration,

had set up a system to control the filling of vacant jobs in line with the President's order. He has directed an inquiry into what the agencies have accomplished, if anything, in response to the directive.

"This situation," he warned, "lends further support to the need for a high-level, competent staff, with iron in its spine, to check on the utilization of Government manpower."

"Without this checkrein on expansion the Congress and the taxpayers are at the mercy of what will be an ever expanding bureaucracy."

However, as pointed out here Sunday, Federal agencies are under heavy pressure from both the President and his Budget Bureau to economize.

Treasury, Interior, Defense, Agriculture and others are in the midst of drafting economy plans to cut jobs and other expenses. The goal is reported to be a saving of one or two billion dollars.

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